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In re application of: :
Chris BERTELO et al. : Group Art Unit: 1711
Serial No.: 09/088,707 : Examiner: J. Mullis
Filed: June 2, 1998 :

For: IMPACT ADDITIVE OF THE CORE/SHELL TYPE FOR
THERMOPLASTIC POLYMERS (AS AMENDED)

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 16, 2001, please amend the above
identified application as indicated below and consider the remarks which follow.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Four times Amended) A polyvinyl chloride composition containing a
core/shell impact additive composed of a core based on alkyl acrylate or on a
polyorganosiloxane rubber and a shell based on poly(alkyl methacrylate) or on a styrene-
acrylonitrile copolymer, said impact additive comprising from:

a) 70 % to 90 % by weight of a crosslinked elastomeric core which is
composed:

1) of 20 % to less than 100 % by weight of a nucleus composed of a